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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A power transmission system of an engine for transmitting engine power to a driving wheel, said power transmission system comprising:

5 a crankshaft driven by an engine, said crankshaft being arranged in a vehicle body in a widthwise direction of the vehicle body;

a sub-shaft which is arranged parallel to said crankshaft and to which the rotation of said crankshaft is transmitted via a rotary transmission member; and

10 a belt type continuously variable transmission including a primary shaft arranged concentrically with said sub-shaft and provided with a primary pulley having a variable groove width; and a secondary shaft provided with a secondary pulley coupled to said primary pulley via a belt and having a variable groove width,

wherein the rotation of said crankshaft is transmitted to said primary shaft via said sub-shaft arranged parallel to said primary shaft.

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2. The power transmission system of an engine according to claim 1, wherein a centrifugal clutch is arranged between said sub-shaft and said primary shaft.

25 3. The power transmission system of an engine according to claim 1, wherein said crankshaft is mounted with a generator and wherein said sub-shaft is mounted with a recoil starter.

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4. The power transmission system of an engine according to claim 2, wherein said crankshaft is mounted with a generator and wherein said sub-shaft is mounted with a recoil starter.